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IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re application of : **Confirmation No. 5660**
Takao NAKANO et al. : Docket No. 2002-0079A
Serial No. 10/058,738 : Group Art Unit 1761
Filed January 30, 2002 : Examiner Drew E. Becker
SOYMILK AND TOFU :
MANUFACTURING METHOD :

RESPONSE

THE COMMISSIONER IS AUTHORIZED
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FEE FOR THIS PAPER TO DEPOSIT
ACCOUNT NO. 23-0975.

Commissioner for Patents
P.O. Box 1450
Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Sir:

Responsive to the Office Action of February 23, 2004, constituting a requirement for election of species between (a) claims 5 and 9-13 directed to a double tube heater and (b) claims 6 and 14-18 directed to a high pressure homogenizer, Applicants hereby elect, with traverse, the species of claims 5 and 9-13 directed to a double tube heater.

This election is made while reserving Applicants' rights to file a divisional application for the non-elected subject matter.

The claims which read on the elected species are claims 1-5 and 7-13.

Action on the merits is requested.

Respectfully submitted,

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